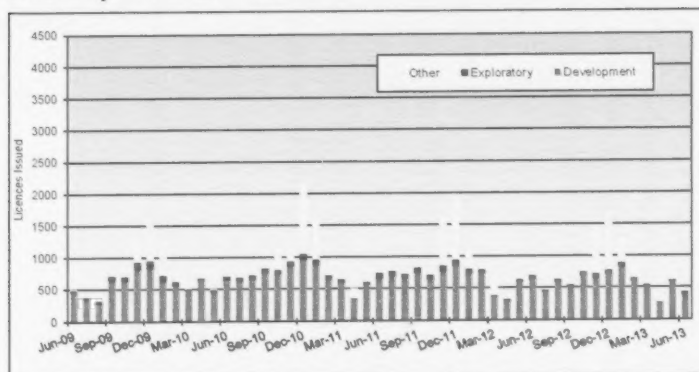


July 2013 Industry Activity Report

Monthly Well Licences



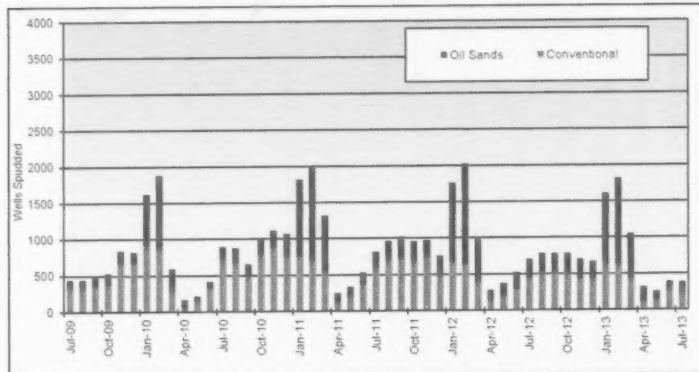
The 451 new licences issued in June were down 34% from last June's 687 new licences.

Compared to the first six months of 2012, new permits are down .3%.

2013	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Development	821	591	525	265	587	380							3169
Exploration	74	66	26	14	33	55							268
NPW	35	28	9	2	8	15							98
NFW	5	2		1	1	1							10
DPT	11	24	12	7	15	16							87
Outpost	23	12	5	4	8	21							73
Exper. & Eval. Licences	355	276	26	89	38	16							800
Total	1250	933	577	368	658	451							4237

Source: Alberta Energy Regulator

Alberta Wells Spudded (estimates)

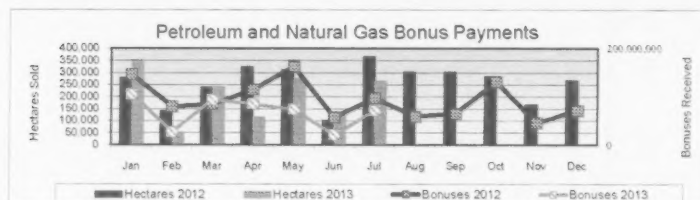


Operators spudded 377 wells in July, bringing the seven-month total to 5,806. Compared to last year's seven-month total, this year's spuds are down 13%.

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2009													
Conventional	1015	719	150	40	83	231	308	307	348	370	664	674	4,909
Oil Sands	636	756	218	69	52	117	136	137	147	161	171	146	2,746
2010													
Conventional	909	859	272	66	143	318	713	674	486	793	879	755	6,867
Oil Sands	706	1019	321	97	73	103	178	204	165	211	233	310	3,620
2011													
Conventional	749	696	530	120	181	359	592	696	707	685	734	484	6,533
Oil Sands	1063	1305	788	121	153	166	220	270	310	270	237	270	5,173
2012													
Conventional	670	629	383	146	181	281	445	499	506	490	425	430	5,085
Oil Sands	1092	1392	597	130	193	237	256	285	278	290	281	239	5,270
2013													
Conventional	630	621	442	101	131	257	233						2,415
Oil Sands	979	1195	608	216	120	129	144						3,391

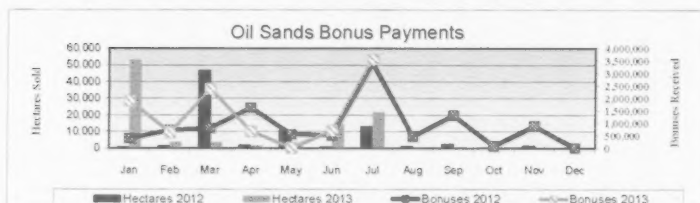
Source: Alberta Energy Regulator

Petroleum & Natural Gas & Oil Sands Land Sales



In July, crown land sales earned a total of \$74.3 million with an average price per hectare of \$258.82

So far this year, the province has collected \$485.8 million on the sale of 1.5 million hectares, with an average price of \$318.14/hectare. Over the first seven months of 2012, crown land sales earned \$747.6 million for 1.8 million hectares, and an average selling price of \$407.81/hectare

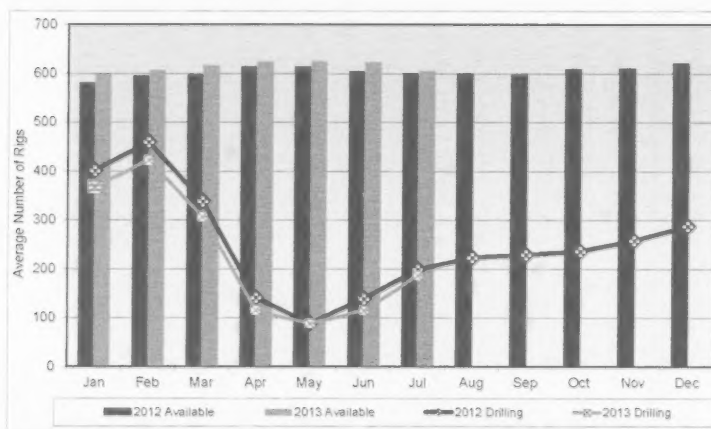


Petroleum and Natural Gas Rights		Jul-13	Jul-12	YTD 2013	YTD 2012
Bonuses		\$70,730,506.73	\$96,561,077.23	\$475,901,975.57	\$739,574,364.37
Hectares		265273.76	366497.36	1427341.31	1759220.70
Average Price per Hectare (Cdn\$)		\$266.63	\$263.47	\$333.42	\$420.40

Oil Sands Rights		Jul-13	Jul-12	YTD 2013	YTD 2012
Bonuses		\$3,567,023.36	\$3,406,381.53	\$9,880,381.54	\$7,990,538.48
Hectares		21792.00	12841.20	99582.32	73906.84
Average Price per Hectare (Cdn\$)		\$163.68	\$265.27	\$99.22	\$108.12

Source: Alberta Energy

Alberta Rig Activity



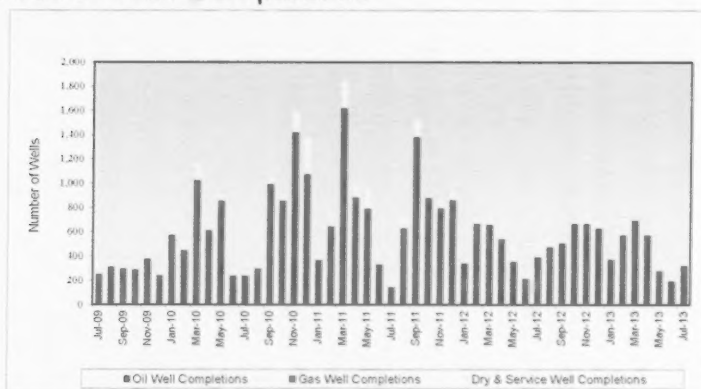
Fleet utilization for the province's 605 rigs averaged 31% in July, compared to 597 rigs with a utilization of 33% in July 2012.

Over the first seven months of 2013, Alberta's oil and gas fields have kept an average of 229 rigs working (with an average fleet of 613 rigs), compared to 252 working rigs in 2012 (with an average fleet of 600 rigs).

July	Drilling	Down	Available	Rig Util. Jul-13	Rig Util. Jul-12
Alberta	187	419	605	31%	33%
Saskatchewan	62	70	132	47%	48%
British Columbia	37	22	59	63%	50%
Northwest Territories		2	2		
Manitoba	8	14	22	36%	54%
Canada	294	527	821	36%	38%

Source: Canadian Association of Oilwell Drilling Contractors

Alberta Well Completions



July's 373 well completions were down 24% from the 488 completions for this month in 2012.

During the January-July period, oil well completions were down 1%, and gas completions were down 24%.

		Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
2009	Oil Wells	156	116	321	111	71	36	79	101	146	132	169	121	1,559
	Gas Wells	606	899	979	342	187	143	178	217	155	160	212	127	4,205
	Dry & Service	96	120	230	73	81	42	49	61	54	35	63	35	939
2010	Oil Wells	253	144	397	198	400	126	131	168	357	402	999	676	4,251
	Gas Wells	324	308	632	418	462	117	110	135	638	461	847	403	4,855
	Dry & Service	62	79	141	6	51	41	26	43	59	46	169	294	1,017
2011	Oil Wells	226	353	650	419	602	209	105	451	1030	626	559	568	5,798
	Gas Wells	145	294	974	472	196	124	43	183	356	259	243	299	3,588
	Dry & Service	42	127	222	112	160	100	97	94	145	19	32	73	1,223
2012	Oil Wells	215	489	516	405	296	205	348	380	447	588	533	523	4,945
	Gas Wells	131	181	146	141	62	12	46	98	65	81	137	110	1,210
	Dry & Service	35	48	55	126	128	37	94	63	12	23	80	59	760
2013	Oil Wells	313	449	544	481	230	179	263						2,459
	Gas Wells	59	124	149	91	47	14	59						543
	Dry & Service	9	67	119	129	66	79	51						520

Source: Daily Oil Bulletin, Nickle's Energy, Information, and Technology
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